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*2 Cuba Air Strikes*

*Canceled, Carlson Says*

TOPEKA, Jan. 28 (AP)

Two of the planned air strikes for an invasion of Cuba in 1961 were canceled by President Kennedy. Sen. Frank Carlson, (R-Kan.) told a meeting of Republican women today.

Carlson stressed, however, that the United States had not promised air cover for the Bay of Pigs invasion.

Carlson, a member of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, said the Central Intelligence Agency and Department of Defense originally planned three air strikes. One strike, against Cuban planes on the ground, were carried out but the other two were canceled.

"The United States did not promise air cover," Carlson told the Kansas Federation for Republican Women, "but

three air strikes were planned to destroy all Cuban air power on the ground.

"The planes to make these strikes were based on an island off Florida. Some of them were piloted by Americans, others by Cubans."

In Washington, the White House said there would be no comment on Carlson's speech.

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